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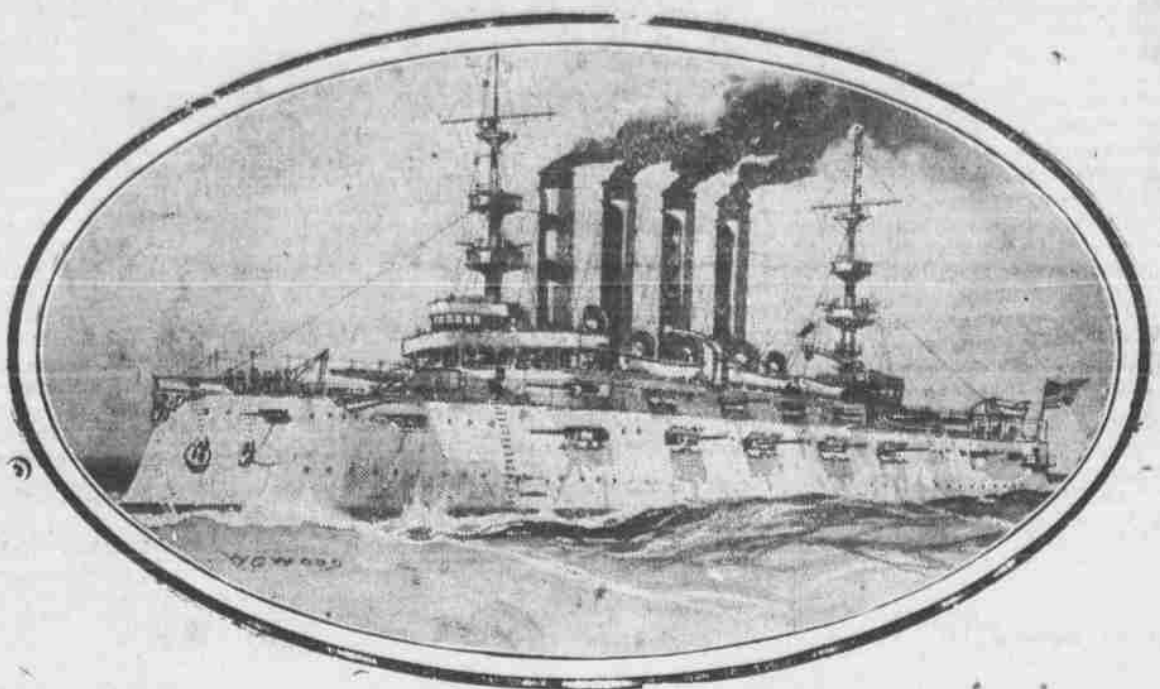
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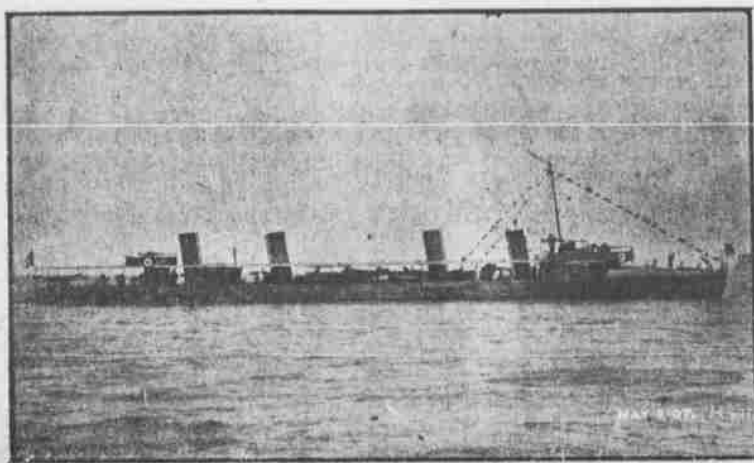
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SEVEN CRUISERS AND SEVEN DESTROYERS IN GRAND ARRAY



ONE OF THE ARRIVING CRUISERS,—THE WASHINGTON.



THE TORPEDO BOAT TYPE.

AUTO SPEED LAW IS IN DANGER

AN ATTACK ON IT IN THE SCHUMAN CASE WHICH THREATENS TO LEAVE THE COUNTY WITHOUT ANY AUTO SPEED LAW—VARIOUS GROUNDS ON WHICH THE LAW IS DECLARED TO BE INVALID.

It looks very much as if the automobile ordinance, under which Gus E. Schuman was convicted of exceeding the speed limits would be knocked out by the Supreme Court. The matter was taken up to the Territorial tribunal this morning in an appeal, and the grounds on which the appeal is taken appear to be very strong. They are all technical in character and are based on constitutional grounds. Of course the matter has not been taken up at all by the Supreme Court but it is apparent that a very strong fight will be made against the auto law.

Thompson and Clemons, in their appeal, state their grounds very briefly. They hold that the ordinance is void

on account of the fact that it discriminates in many instances and is in every way class legislation. In the first place in particularizing auto owners from others it is held that there is class legislation. Then it is held that there is discrimination in favor of non-residents and against residents. The division of the people of the Territory into two classes, residents and non-residents, is in itself held to be contrary to the Constitution of the United States.

In the ordinance the cancellation of the licenses of chauffeurs applies only to resident chauffeurs, while the non-resident drivers have no such penalty provided for them in case they in-

5 AT 1 STROKE

The mystery of the interrupted communication between Barber's Point and the headquarters of the Wireless Telegraph Company in this city was explained yesterday afternoon when Manager J. A. Balch started down the line and found that, near the slaughter house, Kalia, the lightning, during the severe electric storm the night before, had struck five telegraph posts, completely ruining them. Not only had the fearful fluid stricken down the posts but it had literally smashed them to smithereens, the splinters flying in all directions.

It was like a ball of fire leveling five of a bunch of nine-pins. No one was hurt, but a Chinese who witnessed the phenomenon was frightened so that he could not talk for several hours.

Balch arranged to string the telegraph line along the fence until new poles can be erected.

Secretary Mott-Smith is preparing a notice that all the officers of the Government will be closed on Regatta Day, a legal holiday.

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fringe on the provisions of the law. A chauffeur in this city, who is under 17 years of age is not allowed to drive unless accompanied by an older person, while this does not apply to youngsters from the mainland who wish to hurry their machines through the street. In the final paragraph it is held that the ordinance is illegal on the ground that it denies to all the equal protection which is the greatest and most important provision of the Constitution of the United States.

In the opinion of very many attorneys the county will make a losing fight in the matter and the auto ordinance will be knocked out altogether, leaving no speed limit except that which is covered by the law against fast and furious driving.

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CALIFORNIA'S WONDERFUL BIG TREES MENACED

(Associated Press Cable to The Star.)
SONORA, Cal., September 2.—The Mother big tree forest is burning and others are threatened.

THE TREADWELL CASE TO JURY

SAN FRANCISCO, September 2.—The Treadwell perjury case has gone to the jury.

CRUISER BUFFALO IS AT FRISCO

SAN FRANCISCO, September 2.—U. S. S. Buffalo, Commander Frank M. Bostwick, this morning arrived from Bremerton.

FORAKER AND TAFT ARE GOOD FRIENDS

TOLEDO, September 2.—In the great parade of the Grand Army of the Republic in this city today Republican Presidential Candidate William H. Taft and Senator Foraker, who so strenuously fought the Roosevelt policies in the Senate and was supposed to be violently opposed to Taft's candidacy, met on the reviewing stand, in the presence of a great concourse, and exchanged the most cordial greetings and conversation. This is considered most significant for Taft's strength in Ohio.

HUDSPETH IS CHOSEN

NEW YORK, September 2.—Robert Hudspeth of New Jersey has been chosen Vice-chairman of the Democratic National Committee.

MELBOURNE, September 3.—Today was spent by the officers and men of the American fleet attending the horse races and other sports, while this evening was held a monster reception to the fleet's officers at which eight thousand people were present.

MELBOURNE, September 3.—Burns is the favorite in his fight with Lang tomorrow.

REPUBLICANS GET TOGETHER

The indications now are that the Republican primaries on Saturday will generally be harmonious. In the big turn out of last Friday for nominations there were some rivalries and a lot of contests were threatened, but since then there have been many compromises between warring elements, and in a lot of the precincts where there were contests, a ticket, or slate, has been agreed upon, which will go through without opposition on Saturday evening.

As far as the nominations for office are concerned, the delegates are uninstructed. For mayor Hustace, Lucas and Lane are all three still in the field. Rumors of withdrawals are talked of, but the candidates deny them. There is plenty of time before the convention, however, for changes in the situation. If the convention were held now, most of the delegates would be uninstructed and uncertain.

For sheriff the Republican situation still looks like Wise, but the local business element, which has got behind Hustace for mayor, is said to oppose him, and will probably support Jarrett, who will be Democratic candidate. This may give the sheriff's office to the Democrats for another couple of years.

A somewhat similar situation is de-

veloping with regard to the office of county attorney. Cathcart's Republican friends have got a lot of delegates for him, and he is likely to be nominated. As far as known his only Republican opponent is Carlo Long, who does not seem to be getting very strong support. The Democrats, seeing the situation, are after a strong man for their ticket in the hope of landing this office too.

In various precinct matters of policy are being taken up. The question of a building license law, which will stop the increase of big labor camps in the residence districts, is going to be made a Republican issue in some places, and the labor camps will probably receive a hard jolt in the legislature.

Road work is another issue which a lot of precincts are taking up in a very practical way.

Altogether the precinct situation now is one of general Republican harmonizing, with an eye to practical legislative results and good county administration.

AUTOS AT HACK RATES.

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PACIFIC FLEET IS NOW HERE

STRIKING SPECTACLE MADE BY THE WARSHIPS UNDER ADMIRAL SWINBURNE AS THEY BRING THEIR DEADLY LOOKING TORPEDO BOATS SAFELY TO HONOLULU—THE HARBOR AGAIN FILLED TO CAPACITY WITH WARSHIPS.

More impressive than the approach of the great Atlantic armada of sixteen battleships, in July, was the arrival today of the fifteen vessels of the Pacific fleet from San Francisco, and this for the reason that with the Atlantic fleet the spectacle was the multiplied vision of a great battleship, while the view of the second monster armada to visit this island is suggestive of more varied action, greater scope and a nearer thoroughness to the war condition.

In the Pacific fleet, now here, are seven huge, four-funnelled, towering cruisers, ochre and white against the midday opaline of the intermediate waters off port, and seven vicious-looking, racing, torpedo-boat destroyers, black as death and the sixth that covers coasts, devil-snares, rakish and uncompromising.

The contrast of the tall white cruisers and the low, darksome mosquito fleet is suggestive of the terrible co-operation of which the speedy cruisers and the gymnastic destroyers are capable.

Off Waimanalo! Off Koko Head! Off Diamond Head! Off Waikiki! Coming into the harbor—some of them.

Such were the announcements which flew about town and over the island this morning as the fleet approached, and these announcements were the signals for hundreds and thousands to go to the waterfront and line the wharves, to go to the hills and line the ridges; to go to the roofs of tall buildings and line the copings; to hasten to the harbor and crowd launches and small boats—to get a glimpse of the fleet arriving.

Round Diamond Head they came, in impressive manner, though not in as regular order as was observed by the sixteen battleships of the Atlantic fleet.

The flagship West Virginia, Rear Admiral William T. Swinburne, in command of the fleet, lead the line.

She was slightly in advance, considering the average of distance observed of the two that followed her, single file; then came two almost abreast, and then two more, single file.

The supply ship Solace marked the break between the cruisers and the destroyers.

The destroyers, some of them wire-lesseed and all wearing two pairs of funnels; some with whaleback noses and others with straightish cutwaters, followed in somewhat irregular formation, though the apparent irregularity of distance was doubtless on account of heading for the various positions off port preparatory to entering the harbor.

As they dropped anchor outside the harbor the little destroyers, little as compared to the cruisers, but big and terrible enough when their power is considered, rolled jauntily with the swell, their torpedoes, aft now and again jumping up over the waves like wicked eyes and their guns pointing skyward and then almost to the depths.

The supplyship Solace, for some reason, chose to cut on the inside of the bell-buoy, but evidently her master knew what he was about.

Along off Kalia four of the cruisers swung, three taking temporary positions off the mouth of the harbor, the destroyers being Waikiki of the bell buoy, until the flagship West Virginia turned to enter the channel.

As the West Virginia entered the harbor Rear Admiral Swinburne received a salute from the battery in the naval station grounds and she returned a salute conforming to the rank of Captain Corwin P. Rees, Naval station commandant.

The British ship Carradale, the British bark Hollywood, the German bark Alexander Isenberger, and the Japanese training ship Tasei Maru dipped their flags, the West Virginia returning the courtesy and all other vessels in the harbor dipped their colors.

The Commercial Pacific Cable Company's Florence Ward was gallily be-decked with flags, she boasting the greatest color display of all.

The West Virginia slowly churned into the slip on the Ewa side of the big Alakea street wharf where there are thirteen pyramid piles of coal

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